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INTRODUCTION

This is one of the core and basic text for the creed of *Ahl us-Sunnah* originally written in Urdu by *Sadr ul-Afazel* Maulana Naeemuddin Muradabadi رحمۃ اللہ علیہ.

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Kindly remember the author and the translator in your prayers. May Almighty Allah provide benefit to *ummah* by this work, *Aameen*.

- Muhammed Kashif ul-Ansari

LORD OF THE UNIVERSE.

Everything in this universe changes and will perish after sometime. It was created at some point of time hence there should be a creator and destroyer. His blessed name is 'Allah' ﷻ. He was present from eternity and will remain forever.

He is the creator of the entire universe. Earth, skies, moon, stars, humans, animals and other creatures are created by Him only. He sustains them and they all seek him. It is in His power to provide food, and give and take lives. He is the owner of everyone, He does whatever He wishes and nobody can interfere in His orders. His attributes are combination of beauty and perfection and are free from damage and evil. Nothing is hidden from His knowledge; He knows all visible and invisible things. Just like His presence is from eternity, his attributes are also present from eternity.

Everything in this universe is created by Him. We all are His slaves. He loves us more than our own parents. He is the most merciful, forgives sins and accepts repentance of his slaves. His grip is very strong, only He can let someone go. Honor and shame are under his control, He honors whomever He wishes and disgraces whomever He wishes. He makes whomever rich or poor as per His wish.

All his actions are wise and just. He will grant *Jannah* to Muslims and will torment disbelievers in hell. All his acts are wise, let someone understand it or not. His blessings and kindness are immense. He is the one who deserves to be worshiped and no one other than him.

Almighty Allah is all living, powerful, listener, observer, speaker, knowledgeable and planner. He is neither anyone's father nor son. He neither has a wife nor any relative. He is the one on whom everyone depends.

❖ Question: Is the universe in existence from eternity?

A: No.

❖ Question: Will the universe remain forever?

A: No, because everything in it has a time period. Everything is first created and it exists till it reaches its age and then it is destroyed.

❖ Question: Who is the creator and destroyer of all things in the universe?

A: Almighty Allah ﷻ.

❖ Question: When was He born and till when will He live?

A: Almighty Allah was never born and will never perish. The things which never existed are born. Almighty Allah existed from time eternal and will remain forever. He creates everything, nobody created him. He makes everything to perish, He cannot perish.

❖ Question: Did he create the whole universe alone or someone is His partner?

A: He has no partners. Everyone is His servant and created by Him. He alone has created the whole universe, He has great powers. Not even a particle can move without His orders.

***Nabuwwat* – The Prophet-hood**

The pure people whom Almighty Allah sent for the guidance and mentoring of creatures and to reveal His divine laws are called Prophets. Prophets are humans who receive divine revelations from Almighty Allah. This revelation is sometimes received via an angel and sometimes without an angel.

Prophets are free from sin; their habits and character are extremely pure. Their name, family lineage, body, statements, actions and movements, all are of high status and free from disgusting features.

Almighty Allah bestows them with perfect intelligence. Even the most intelligent person in universe cannot reach a millionth part of their intelligence.

Almighty Allah informs them about the unseen. They are busy in obeying and worshipping Almighty Allah day and night and they deliver the message of Almighty Allah to people and guide them to Him.

Prophet-hood is very high rank and status. No one can attain it by worshipping etc. Let someone keep fast for lifetime, let him cry whole night in prostration, let him donate all his wealth for charity and for the cause of Almighty Allah, let him sacrifice himself for religion, but still he cannot attain Prophet-hood. Prophet-hood is a grace of Allah and he grants it to whomsoever He wishes.

Obedience of Prophet is obligatory. Prophets are better than all the creatures in the universe. Maintaining their respect and honor is a must and even a slight disrespect to them and their

refutation is disbelief. Until a person has faith in them, he cannot be a believer. Prophets have high ranks and status in the court of Almighty Allah and they are His beloved.

Among the Prophets, the ones who brought new *Shari'ah* (religious rules) are called *Rasool*. All the Prophets are alive in their graves just like they were alive in this world. Death came to them just for a second and they became alive again.

The first Prophet to come to world is Adam عليه السلام. Before him there were no humans. Allah created him with His complete power, without father and mother and made him his deputy. He gave him the *Ilm ul-Asma'a* (knowledge of names and properties of all the things in the world). Angels were ordered to prostrate before him. The human race started from him. All humans are his children. Starting from Aadam عليه السلام till our Prophet Mohammed ﷺ, Allah sent many Prophets.

Prophets whose names are mentioned in Quran are:

- ❖ Aadam عليه السلام
- ❖ Nooh عليه السلام
- ❖ Ibraheem عليه السلام
- ❖ Yusuf عليه السلام
- ❖ Isma'eel عليه السلام
- ❖ Ishaq عليه السلام
- ❖ Yaquoob عليه السلام
- ❖ Moosa عليه السلام

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- ❖ Haroon عليه السلام
 - ❖ Shoib عليه السلام
 - ❖ Loot عليه السلام
 - ❖ Hood عليه السلام
 - ❖ Dawood عليه السلام
 - ❖ Suleman عليه السلام
 - ❖ Ayyub عليه السلام
 - ❖ Zakariyah عليه السلام
 - ❖ Yahya عليه السلام
 - ❖ Isa عليه السلام
 - ❖ Ilyas عليه السلام
 - ❖ Al-Yas'a عليه السلام
 - ❖ Yunus عليه السلام
 - ❖ Idrees عليه السلام
 - ❖ Zul Kifl عليه السلام
 - ❖ Saleh عليه السلام
 - ❖ Muhammed ﷺ

Statues of Prophets

The statues of Prophets are different and varied. Some have status higher than others. The highest status is that of our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is the last Prophet. Allah ended the chain of Prophet-hood with him. After Prophet Muhammad ﷺ no one can receive Prophet-hood. A

person who deems it possible that Prophet-hood can be received after our Prophet is a *Kafir*.

The Excellencies which were bestowed on other Prophets have been combined in our Prophet and his personal Excellencies are more than these. The way to Almighty can be found only through Prophets and the salvation of humans depends upon their obedience.

- ❖ Question: Are *Jins* and Angels also Prophets?
A: No, Prophets are only from human race and only male. A woman cannot be a Prophet.
- ❖ Question: Revelation is revealed to non-Prophets also?
A: The revelation is not revealed to non-Prophets. Who thinks it is possible, is a *Kafir*.
- ❖ Question: Can anyone be '*Masoom*' (infallible) other than Prophets?
A: Yes, Angels are also *masoom* and no one else.
- ❖ Question: Who is called '*Masoom*'?
A: The one who is under the protection of Allah because of which it is impossible to commit sin.
- ❖ Question: Are Imam and Wali also '*Masoom*'?
A: Other than Prophets and Angels no one is *Masoom*. Almighty protects *Auliya* Allah from committing sins but only Prophets and Angels are *masoom*.
- ❖ Question: What is *Ilm-e-Asm'a*?

A: The knowledge which was given to Aadam about everything in the universe with their names is called '*Ilm-e-Asm'a'*'.

❖ Question: What kind of prostration did the Angels do to Aadam ﷺ?

A: It was the prostration of respect which was done by Angels on the order of Allah. Prostration of respect was allowed in past *Shari'ahs* (but) it is NOT allowed in our *Shari'ah*. Prostration of worship was never allowed even in previous *Shari'ahs*.

***Mo'ajizaat* – The Miracles**

Those unrealistic actions which are not possible normally, like making dead alive, cutting moon into half by pointing (a finger), release of water from fingers. If these actions are done by a person to prove his claim of Prophet-hood, it is called *Mo'ajizah*. Many *moajizats* have been performed by the Prophets and these are proofs of their Prophet-hood. People accept truthfulness of a Prophet by experiencing miracles. The person who can do such unrealistic things, in front of whom everyone is surprised and amazed, is indeed sent by Allah. Though stubborn enemy will not believe, but one's heart accepts it and people, who understand it, bring Iman.

No false claimant of prophet-hood can display *mojizaat*, as nature does not approve it. There are many *mojizaat* of our Prophet, among which the most famous *mojizah* is '*Meraj*'.

The Prophet ﷺ went from Mecca to *Bait ul-Muqaddas* (Jerusalem) in a very short time of night and lead the Prophets in prayer there. From *Bait ul-Muqaddas* he travelled to Heavens. He attained such closeness to Allah which was never attained by any human, angel, prophet or messenger. He saw the beauty of Almighty Allah with his physical eyes, heard Almighty's words, and visited all places of earth and skies. He toured the heavens and saw hell. He told about the caravans whom he saw on the way from Mecca to *Bait ul-Muqaddas* in the morning.

Quran

Quran is the word of Allah which Almighty revealed for guidance of his servants. It contains every branch of knowledge and it is an unmatched book. Even if all the people of the world unite together, still no one can write a book like this. Allah revealed this book on his beloved prophet just like he revealed *Torah* on Moosa ﷺ, *Zaboor* on Dawood ﷺ, *Injeel* on Isaa ﷺ and other books on Prophets before.

All these books are the truth. We have faith in all these books, but evil people in the past changed previous books and hence their authentic (copy) is not available. Almighty Allah himself is the protector of Quran; this is the reason that it is exactly the same as it was revealed and will always remain same, unchanged. Even if whole world tries, not even a single alphabet can be altered in it.

❖ Question: Is there any divine book on earth?

A: Yes.

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- ❖ Question: What is meant by a divine book?
A: The book of Almighty Allah.
 - ❖ Question: Which is that book?
A: Quran.
 - ❖ Question: What is in that book?
A: It has all the knowledge.
 - ❖ Question: Why was this book revealed?
A: For the guidance of mankind and so that they know Allah and his Prophet and act as per their commands.
 - ❖ Question: On whom Quran was revealed?
A: Muhammad ﷺ
 - ❖ Question: When was it revealed?
A: Around 1400 years back.
 - ❖ Question: Did Allah reveal any book other than Quran?
A: Yes.
 - ❖ Question: Which are those books?
A: Name of all the books are not known, but famous ones are Torah, Injeel and Zaboor.
 - ❖ Question: Can authentic Torah, Injeel and Zaboor be found anywhere today?
A: No.
 - ❖ Question: Why?

A: Christians and Jews added and deleted contents from these books as per their wishes and made it something else.

❖ Question: Is authentic Quran available?

A: Yes, authentic Quran is available everywhere.

❖ Question: Is it not changed?

A: It cannot be changed; even a single alphabet cannot be changed.

❖ Question: Why?

A: Because Almighty Allah is its protector.

❖ Question: Where is Quran found?

A: It is found in every city and village. It is found in house of every Muslim. Every Muslim knows some part of it by heart.

❖ Question: How do you know that it is the book of Allah?

A: Just like things created by Almighty Allah cannot be made by anyone else similarly a book like Quran cannot be made. With this we know that it is the book of Allah.

❖ Question: Does Hindus have any book from Allah?

A: No.

❖ Question: What are *ved*? (Hindu scriptures)

A: Poems of olden time poets.

Farishtey - The Angels

Angels are faithful and honored servants of Almighty Allah who never disobey His commands. They are free from all kind of sins, their bodies are made up of light and they neither eat nor drink anything. They are always busy in worshipping Allah. Allah has given them the ability to transform into anything.

They are assigned different tasks. Some are assigned duties in Heavens, some in Hell, some on writing deeds of humans, some on delivering sustenance, some on bringing rain, some on creating baby in mother's womb, some on guarding humans, some on taking souls, some on questioning in grave, some on torment, some on delivering salutations of Muslims to the court of *Rasoolullah* and some on delivering revelations to Prophets.

Almighty Allah has given them great powers; they can do tasks which even thousands of people cannot accomplish. Among them four angels are most glorious. They are *Gibra'eel* جبرائيل, *Mika'eel* ميكائيل, *Israfeel* إسرافيل and *Izra'eel* إزرائيل.

❖ Question: Can Angels be seen?

A: They are not visible to us but for whom Allah wishes, they can see them. Prophets see them and talk to them. Dead also see angels in grave and all other people whom Allah wishes, can see them.

❖ Question: Only one angel is assigned to a man who writes his deeds for his lifetime or there are many?

A: There are different angels for writing good deeds and evil deeds and [similarly there are] different angles for day and night.

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- ❖ Question: In total how many angels are there?
A: They are many; we don't know the exact count.

Taqdeer - The Destiny

Whatever happens in the world and whatever people do, good or bad, takes place as per the eternal knowledge of Almighty Allah. Whatever is going to happen [in future] is in the knowledge of Allah and is in written with him.

- ❖ Question: Is a man compelled to act as per his destiny?
A: No. Allah has given power to man to act well or bad. Whatever he does with his power is [already] written with Allah.

Death and Grave

The age of every person is defined, it neither lessens nor increases. When his life time completes, the angel of death takes his soul.

At the time of death, person sees angels on his right and left and till where his eye sight reaches, he sees angels everywhere. Angels of blessings are with Muslim and angels of torments are with *Kafir*. The soul of a Muslim is taken with respect by angels and soul of a *Kafir* is taken with disdain.

The places for souls are defined at different locations. There is a different place for souls of pious people and different place for

evil people. But wherever soul is, its connection with body remains. Any pain to body hurts the soul. They see people visiting their graves and they hear their voices. After death, soul is NOT born again by transferring to another body. This is a nonsense view which is called “*Aawagon*”.

Separation of soul from body is death but after death it doesn't perish. After burying, the grave presses the dead. When people return after burying, the dead hear the sounds of their footsteps. After which two angels come to him, ripping the ground. Their faces are dreadful and eyes are blue and black. One is called *Munkir* and other *Nakeer*. They make the dead sit and ask him the questions:

- ❖ Who is your Lord?
- ❖ What is your religion?
- ❖ Pointing towards the Prophet ﷺ they ask what do you used to say about him.

A Muslim answers: My lord is Allah, my religion is Islam and he is prophet of Allah ﷺ. Angels will say: We knew you would answer this; then his grave is made wide and it is illuminated. An announcer announces: My servant told the truth. Roll out heavenly carpet for him, dress him in heavenly dress and open the door towards the heavens. The doors are opened from which the wind and the fragrance of heaven flow and angels ask him to take rest.

A *kafir* cannot answer these questions. For each question he says: I don't know. An announcer from sky says; He is a liar, roll out the carpet of fire for him, dress him in fire and open the doors of hell from which the heat and flames comes out. Angels are

assigned on him who hit him with huge iron hammers and torture him.

❖ Question: Who believe in *Aawagon*?

A: Hindu

❖ Question: Does grave presses every dead?

A: Prophets are exception other than them grave presses all Muslims as well as all *kafirs*. But Muslims are pressed by love like a mother presses her baby to chest with love and *Kafirs* are pressed strongly such that their ribs move from one side to other.

❖ Question: Are there any people who will not be questioned in grave?

A: Yes. The people who have been exempted [as narrated in hadith] like Prophets and people who die on Friday and in Ramadan.

❖ Question: The torment of grave will only be on *Kafir* or on Muslim too?

A: *Kafirs* will always be tormented but some Muslims will also face the torment. The torment is lessened by charity, prayers, recitation of Quran and other means of sending *sawaab* by Muslim and by the grace of Allah the torment is lifted. According to some scholars the torment is taken off from the grave of Muslims as soon as night of *Jumu'ah* arrives.

❖ Question: The dead who are not buried are also questioned?

A: Yes, whether the dead is buried or not or it is eaten by animal, in every case he is questioned and if he deserves punishment then he is punished.

The Judgment

Just like everything has an age after which it perishes similarly there is an age of the universe in the knowledge of Allah. After that age it will perish, Earth, skies, humans and animals, no one will remain. It is called 'the Hour' (*Qiyamah*). Just like before death, signs like intense illness, harshness of dying and removal of soul takes place similarly there are signs before commencement of the final hour (*Qiyamah*).

Signs of *Qiyamah*

Before commencement of final hour, the knowledge will be taken away from people. Scholars will not be available and ignorance will prevail. There will be increase in wickedness and shamelessness. The population of women will become more than men. Other than the main antichrist there will be thirty other antichrists, everyone among them will claim to be Prophet even though the Prophet-hood is complete on Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

Among them few antichrists have passed like *Musailima Kazzab*, *Aswad Unsi*, *Mirza Ali Muhammad Bab*, *Mirza Ali Hussain Bahauallah* and remaining other will also indeed come.

There will be excess of money. Arabia will have harvesting fields, orchards and rivers. Holding onto religion will be difficult. The time will pass very quickly. People will find it difficult to pay *Zakat*. People will study [religion] for worldly gains. Men will obey women. Disobedience of parents will prevail. Drinking of wine will be common. Non-eligible will be made leaders. The treasure of gold will be uncovered from River Euphrates (*Nahr-e-Furat*). Earth will throw out its deposits. Trust will be considered booty. Noises will rise from Masjids. Transgressors will lead. Rebellions will be respected. There will be prevalence of songs and music. People will swear upon people of past generations. The tip of lash and shoelaces will talk. Antichrist, *Daabbatul Ar'd* and *Yajooj Majooj* will emerge. Imam Mahdi will appear and Prophet Isa will descend on earth. Sun will rise from west and the doors of forgiveness will be closed.

❖ Question: Who is Antichrist (*Dajjal*)? Explain its emergence.

A: Antichrist is the name of one eyed liar. He will have one eye and ک ا ف ر (*kafir*) will be written on his forehead. Every Muslim will be able to read it but *Kafirs* will not be able to see it. He would wander whole earth for 40 days but will not be able to enter Mecca and Medina. First day of his 40 days will be of 1 year duration, second day will be a month long, third will be a week long and remaining days will be of usual duration.

Antichrist will claim to be God and there will be a garden and fire with him, whom he will call heaven and hell. People who would believe in him, he will put them in his heaven which will be fire in reality and People who would reject him, he would place them in his hell which will be a place of comfort in reality. He will show many miracles. He will grow plants from ground and make the rain fall from sky. He will raise the dead.

One pious Muslim will look at him, on which his army will ask: You don't believe in our God?

The pious Muslim will answer: Proofs of my lord are not hidden.

They will catch him and take him to *Dajjal*.

After looking at *Dajjal* he will say: O People! He is the *Dajjal* about whom Prophet informed us.

He will be beaten on *Dajjal's* order.

Dajjal will ask him: You don't believe in me?

He will say: You are one-eyed liar.

On *Dajjal's* order his body will be cut from head to toe in two parts and *Dajjal* will walk between these two pieces.

Then he will say: Standup! The pious man will get well and standup. Then *Dajjal* will ask him (again): Do you believe me (now)?

He will say: Now my vision has strengthened. O People! This *Dajjal* will not be able to do this with anyone after me. Then *Dajjal* will try to catch and kill him but will not be able to do so.

The *Dajjal* will catch his hands and legs and put him in his fire, people will think that it is in fire, but in reality he will be in comfort.

❖ Question: What is *Daabbat ul-Ard*?

A: *Daabbat ul-Ard* is an animal with strange face which will emerge from mountain of *Safa* and will travel all the cities in extremely fast speed. He will talk with eloquence and will make a mark on all people. He will mark a luminous line with the stick of Moosa on forehead of believers and with the ring of Suleman he will put a black mark on forehead of *kafirs*.

❖ Q: Who are *Yajooj and Majooj*?

A: They are troublesome group from offspring of *Yaf bin Nooh*. They are very large in population. They cause feud on earth. They used to emerge during the time of harvest and would not leave any food grain. They even used to eat humans. They would eat animals, snakes

and spiders. *Sikandar Zil Qarnain* stopped their emergence and trapped them by erecting iron wall around them. After the descend of Isa, when he would take Muslims to mountain of *Toor* by the order of Allah after killing *Dajjal*, at that moment they will break the wall and come out and will cause feud on earth. Allah will destroy them by the prayer of Isa.

❖ Q: Describe about Imam Mahdi ﷺ?

A: Imam Mahdi is the deputy of Allah. He will be from the progeny of Prophet and will be Hasani Syed. When disbelief will spread in whole world and Islam will shrink to *Haramain Sharifain*. Auliya and Abdal will migrate there. In the month of Ramadan, Abdals will be doing tawaf of Kaaba and it is then that the Auliyah will recognize him and insist him to take *bayah*. He will refuse. A voice from no-where will say: He is the deputy of Allah, Mahdi, listen to his orders and obey him. People will give bayah on his hands and he will go to Shaam (Syria) with Muslims. His time will be the time of blessings, goodness and earth will be filled with justice and fairness.

❖ Q: Briefly describe about descend of Prophet Isa ﷺ to earth.

A: When tribulation of *Dajjal* would reach its peak and he will enter Syria after travelling whole world, at that time Isa would descend down on the east minaret of Damascus's grand mosque as a just ruler as per *Mohammadan Shariah* and a reviver. His fragrance will reach till where his sight would reach and by his

fragrance *Dajjal* would start melting and would run away. He will kill *Dajjal* at a place called '*Lud*' near *Bait ul-Maqdis*.

His era will be of goodness and blessings. Wealth will be in abundance. Earth will throw out its wealth. People will not remain interested in wealth and money. Jews, Christians and all other false religions will be destroyed by him. In his era only one religion will prevail, '*al-Islam*'. All kuffar will accept Islam and whole world would be *Ahlus Sunnah*. Peace and order will be so good that a lion and a goat will graze together. Children will play with snakes. There will not be any sign of hatred and jealousy.

The time when he will descend, the *salah* of *Fajr* would be starting. Imam Mahdi would request him to lead the *Salah* but he will ask Imam Mahdi to lead and would offer *Salah* behind him.

It is in a narration that by knowing the honor and attributes of our Prophet and respect and honor of his *ummah*, Isa • prayed to be a part of the *ummah* of Muhammed. Almighty Allah accepted his prayers and made him survive so long that he will descend as leader in the *ummah* of Muhammad ﷺ during final times of the world. After his descent he will live for many years. He will get married, die and will be buried next to Prophet Muhammed ﷺ.

- ❖ Q: Describe rising of sun from west and closure of doors of repentance before *Qiyamah*.

A: Everyday sun does prostration to Almighty and asks for the permission. When permission is granted it rises from East. Near *Qiyamah* when *Dabbat ul-Ard* will emerge, like always sun would seek permission to rise but permission would not be granted and it will be ordered to go back. Then sun will rise from west and return after reaching mid of sky and will set in east. After this it will rise as usual from west. Immediately after sunrise from west the door of repentance will be closed. Then anyone accepting *Iman* will not be accepted.

❖ Q: When will *Qiyamah* take place?

A: Exact knowledge of this is with Almighty Allah. We know that when these (above mentioned) signs would take place and there would not remain any believer on earth then angel *Israfeel* عليه السلام by the order of Almighty will blow the trumpet. Its sound will be very feeble initially but will rise slowly. People will hear its sound, would fall down and die. Earth, sky and whole universe will be destroyed. Then whenever Almighty would wish he would order *Israfeel* عليه السلام to blow the trumpet again. After blowing everything will be created as it were before, dead will rise from graves and will be brought to ground of *Mahshar* with their book of deeds in their hands. They will wait for their reward or punishment. Sun will be very near to the head, just around a mile away. Brain would boil because of extreme heat. People will sweat profusely, some will have sweat till their ankles, some till their knees, some till their neck and some will have sweat till their mouth, like rainfall. It

will be as per condition and deeds of the person and the sweat will be very stinky.

A long period will pass in this situation. It will a day of 50000 years and half of it will pass in this condition. People will look for intercessor who can help them and would wait for judgment to start soon. People will reach out to all Prophets but objective wouldn't be fulfilled. At last they will come to our Prophet ﷺ and request for intercession. Prophet ﷺ will say 'I'm for this cause' and would prostrate in the court of Almighty Allah.

Almighty Allah would say: *O Muhammad ﷺ! Raise you head, tell me and I will listen, ask me and I will provide, intercede and I will accept.*

One intercession of Prophet ﷺ is for all the people of *Mahshar* who will be seeking help due to extreme fear and long period of waiting. They would seek that the judgment and their verdict is passed soon for them.

Then judgment will start. Deeds will be weighed in *Meezan*. The book of deeds will in the hand of people. A person's own hands, legs and body parts would testify against him. The part of land where an act was done would also be ready to testify.

That will be a strange situation without any friend and no one to console. Neither son will be of any help to father nor father would be able to help son.

The deeds will be questioned. Whatever was done during lifetime is present. He can neither reject any sin (which he did) nor can he get any virtues from anywhere. In this time of helplessness the Prophet will come to rescue and will intercede for his followers and seekers.

Intercession of Prophet ﷺ will be of many types. Some will enter heavens without any judgment due to his intercession. Some who deserve hell will be rescued and those sinful believers, who are in hell, will be taken out of it due to Prophet's intercession. The people of heaven will also get benefited and their ranks would be raised due to his intercession.

All other Prophets, Companions, Martyrs, Scholars and *Awliyah* will intercede for their followers. People would ask scholars to recall the relationship they had with them in the world. If someone would have given water for *wudu* to a scholar in world, he would make the scholar remember this act of him and request for his intercession and they would intercede.

- ❖ Question: The scene of *Mahshar* which is described, like boiling of brains due to closeness to sun, suffering due to discharge of stinky sweat and extreme long duration of this event etc., is applicable for all the people or there are servants of Almighty who are exempted from these?
Answer: None of this will be experienced by Prophets, pious and righteous. By the blessings of Almighty they will be saved from these calamities and distresses. The

50000 years day on which even a morsel of food or a gulp of water or a breeze of air will not be available and over that, there will be burning by sun's heat from top and hotness of earth from bottom and the fire of hunger from within. Necks will hang down due to thirst, body will experience pain due to standing for years and there will be heart break due to extreme fear. Eyes would be looking up and all the parts of the body would be shivering. This long day would be lesser and easier than time of a *Fard Salah* for these special servants by blessings of Almighty.

The Judgment

The Judgment is true. Deeds of people will be judged. *Meezan* (divine balance) will be established and deeds will be weighed. All good and bad deeds, all words and actions and all the deeds of disbelievers and believers will be weighed. There will be some people who will go to paradise without any judgment. Everyone will be given his book of Deeds (*Nama-e-Aamal*) which was written by his Angels. The book of deed will be in right hand for pious and in left hand for sinners.

***Siraat* - The Bridge**

There is a bridge over hell which is called ‘*Siraat*’. It is finer than a hair and sharper than a sword. Everyone has to pass over it. This is the only way to paradise. While passing bridge, there will be different condition for different people. People will experience ease or difficulty according to their status. Some will pass over it like flash of light, at one instance they will be here and at the other end, the next moment. Some will pass [over it] like winds, some like fast horse, some will pass slowly, some will pass stumbling and some will fall into hell. It will be a time of anguish for disbelievers when they will not be able to pass the bridge and fall into hell. They will see believers passing the bridge like a flash or fly [over it] like wind or running [over it] like a fast horse.

Ashra-e-Mubashshara

There are 10 companions of Prophet who were promised paradise on this world itself; they are called *Ashra-e-Mubashsharah*. Four among them are rightly guided caliphs whose description just passed. Others are : *Hazrat Talha, Hazrat Zubair, Hazrat Abdur Rahman bin Auf, Hazrat Sa’ad bin Abi Waqas, Hazrat Sa’eed bin Zuba’ir, Hazrat Abu Ubaydah bin Jarrah* (Allah is pleased with them).

In *Abadith* there are other companions also who are promised paradise. It is reported about Hazrat *Fatimah* that she is the leader of the women in heaven. Regarding Imam *Hasan* عليه السلام and Imam *Hussain* عليه السلام it is reported that they are leaders of young men in heaven. Similarly the companions of *Badar* and *Bait ul Ridwan* are also promised paradise.

Imaamat - The Leadership

It is necessary to have a Leader for Muslims who can issue orders and give punishments as per divine law, maintain the army, collect *sadaqat*, overcome thieves, looters and attackers, establish *Jumu'ah* and *Eidain*, resolve the issues of Muslims, Accept the witnesses in court, perform marriage of helpless and orphaned people, who do not have any guardian and act on the things which cannot be done by everyone.

It is must for the leader to be physically present and he shouldn't be hidden else he will not be able to do the acts which require him. It is also necessary that he should be *Quraishi*, leadership of anyone other than *Quraishi* is not valid. It is necessary for Imam to be Muslim, male, free, intellectual, mature and should be able to dispose the issues of Muslims by his solutions, glory and power that is he should be politically placed and should be able to introduce divine rulings, protect the territories of Muslim land, do justice between tyrant and oppressed by his knowledge, justice, bravery and courage.

All the companions of Prophet are pious and righteous. It is must to mention them with respect, love and honor. It is extreme misery and deviance to have wrong beliefs and to speak ill about any of them. The group which has made cursing of *Sahaba* their religion and consider their hatred as virtue are extremely wretched and faithless. Sahaba have high glory, hurting those hurts the Prophet ﷺ. No *wali* or *Ghous* or *Qutub* can reach the status of any Sahabi. All companions are *Jannati*. Angels will welcome them on the Day of Judgment.

***Auliyah Allah*– the friends of Allah**

The group of people who are accepted by Allah, who know about his essence and attributes, who are committed to his obedience and worship, avoid sins and who are given special closeness to Allah by his grace, are called '*Auliya Allah*'.

They do strange miracles like travelling from east to west in seconds, walking on water, flying in air, talking to objects and animals, removing calamities, knowledge of situations happening at far places.

Miracles of *Auliya* are actually the miracles of the Prophet whom they follow. Love of *Auliya* is blessings in both the worlds and a cause of Almighty's pleasure. It's because of their blessings that Allah fulfills the requirements and needs of people. Creatures benefit from their supplications. Blessings are received by visiting their graves and participating in their *Urs*. Success is achieved by supplicating with their intercession.

After death, the dead person benefits from *Sadqah*, *Khairaat*, recitation of Quran, *Zikr-e-Ilaahi* and supplications. Virtues of these acts are received by them; that is the reason that *Fatiha* and *Gyarveen* etc. is prevalent in Muslims from past and these acts are proved from Sahih Ahadith. A Person who rejects these acts is a deviant.

May Allah keep us alive on complete faith and take us away on it. May he make us love his beloveds and protect us from His enemies. Aameen!

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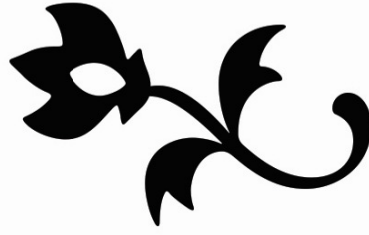
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